Abstract of the Disclosure

A method to locate a fault from one end of a section of a power line utilizing measurements of current, voltage and angles between the phases at a first end of said section.

Symmetrical components of currents are calculated for the current and voltage measurement at the first end. A value of impedance is calculated for an extra link between the terminals with the impedance for the positive sequence equal to:

$$(\underline{Z}_{1LB \& AB} = \frac{\underline{Z}_{1LB} \underline{Z}_{1AB}}{\underline{Z}_{1LB} + \underline{Z}_{1AB}})$$
 where:

 \underline{Z}_{1AB} = impedance for the positive sequence of the extra link,

 \underline{Z}_{1LA} = positive-sequence impedance of the healthy line.

A compensation is determined for the shunt capacitance with the aid of an equation of the form:

$$B_2^{comp-1}(d_{comp-1})^2 + B_1^{comp-1}d_{comp-1} + B_0^{comp-1} = 0$$
 where:

$$B_2^{comp} - {}^{1} = A_{2_Re}^{comp} - {}^{1}A_{00_Im}^{comp} - {}^{1}A_{2_Im}^{comp} - {}^{1}A_{00_Re}^{comp}$$

$$B_1^{comp}-{}^1 = A_{1_{\rm Re}}^{comp}-{}^1A_{00_{\rm Im}}^{comp}-{}^1-A_{1_{\rm Im}}^{comp}-{}^1A_{00_{\rm Re}}^{comp}$$

$$B_0^{comp}-{}^1 = A_{0_{\rm Re}}^{comp}-{}^1A_{00_{\rm Im}}^{comp}-{}^1-A_{0_{\rm Im}}^{comp}-{}^1A_{00_{\rm Re}}^{comp}-{}^1.$$

The zero-sequence current is determined from the healthy line of a section of parallel power lines. A distance to a fault is calculated for the parallel line section. The distance to the fault from the first end is calculated using a quadratic equation of the form:

$$B_2d^2 + B_1d + B_0 = 0$$
 where:

$$B_2 = A_{2}_{Re} A_{00}_{Im} - A_{2}_{Im} A_{00}_{Re}$$

$$B_1 = A_{1}_{Re} A_{00}_{Im} - A_{1}_{Im} A_{00}_{Re}$$

$$B_0 = A_0 _{\rm Re} A_{00 _{\rm Im}} - A_0 _{\rm Im} A_{00 _{\rm Re}} \, .$$